THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS EASTERN DIVISION

LINE CONSTRUCTION FUND,)
A HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND,)
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PLAINTIFF,)
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v.)
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GREEN ENERGY FOUNDATIONS LLC.,)
a MINNESOTA LIMITED LIABILITY)
COMPANY,)
)
DEFENDANT.)

COMPLAINT

Plaintiff, LINE CONSTRUCTION BENEFIT FUND, A HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND, by and through its Attorneys, Robert B. Greenberg, Matthew S. Jarka, and Sam W. Hensel of Asher, Gittler, & D'Alba, Ltd., and complaining of Defendant, GREEN ENERGY FOUNDATIONS, LLC, a Minnesota Limited Liability Company ("Defendant"), states as follows:

- This action is brought under the provisions of Sections 502(g)(2) and 502(a)(3), of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 ("ERISA"), 29 U.S.C., Secs. 1132(g)(2), (a)(3), and 1145.
- 2. Jurisdiction in this Court is based upon Sections 502(e)(1) and 502(e)(2) of ERISA [29 U.S.C. Sec. 1132(e)(1) and (e)(2)], which states in relevant part:

Where an action under this subchapter is brought in a district court of the United States, it may be brought in the district where the plan is administered, where the breach took place, or where a defendant resides or may be found, and process may be served in any other district where a defendant resides or may be found.

- 3. The LINE CONSTRUCTION BENEFIT FUND, A HEALTH AND WELFARE FUND ("Fund") receives contributions from numerous employers pursuant to collective bargaining agreement heretofore entered into between the IBEW Local Union 44 ("Union") and Defendant, and the Fund is maintained and administered in accordance with and pursuant to the provisions of Section 302(c)(5) of the National Labor Relations Act, as amended, ERISA and other applicable federal law. The Fund is administered pursuant to the terms and provisions of a certain Restated Agreement and Declaration of Trust ("Trust Agreement.")
- 4. The Fund is located at 821 Parkview Blvd., Lombard, IL 60148-3230, and the Fund is administered in the Northern District of Illinois.
- 5. As provided in the Trust Agreement, the Fund is required to receive, hold, and manage all monies required to be contributed to the Fund in accordance with the provisions of the then applicable Collective Bargaining Agreement for the uses and purposes set forth in the Trust Agreement.
- 6. Defendant is an employer engaged in an industry affecting commerce and maintains its principal place of business at 8443 187th Ave. NE in New London, Minnesota 56273.
- 7. Defendant employs or has employed persons represented for collective bargaining purposes by the Union and agreed to be bound by the Collective Bargaining Agreement or agreements referred to herein, by the terms of which Defendant was required to contribute to the Fund.
- 8. The Fund is advised and believes that Defendant has repeatedly failed to submit accurate contribution reports and the required payments thereon to the Fund pursuant to the terms

- of the Collective Bargaining Agreement by which it was bound, all in violation of its contractual obligations and its obligations under applicable federal statutes.
- 9. As a result of the above-described omissions and breaches of agreement by Defendant, Plaintiff may be required to (a) deny the employee beneficiaries for whom contributions have not been made the benefits provided under the benefit plan, thereby causing to such employee beneficiaries substantial and irreparable damage, or (b) to provide to employees of Defendant the benefits provided under the benefit plan, notwithstanding Defendant's failure to make the required contributions thereto, thereby reducing the corpus of such Fund and endangering the rights of the employee beneficiaries thereunder on whose behalf contributions are being made, all to their substantial and irreparable injury.
- 10. The Fund, in its behalf, and on behalf of all employees for whose benefit the Fund was established, has requested Defendant to perform its obligations, but Defendant has refused and failed to perform as herein alleged.
- 11. The Fund is without an adequate remedy at law and will suffer immediate, continuing, and irreconcilable injury and damage unless Defendant is ordered to specifically perform all of its obligations required under the Collective Bargaining Agreement and the Trust Agreement, and is restrained from continuing to refuse to perform as thereunder required.
- 12. Defendant is delinquent to the Fund for the period of February 2019 through July 2019, in the estimated amount of \$20,187.62.
- 13. Defendant's failure to pay is a violation of the Collective Bargaining Agreement and the Trust Agreement. The Fund, therefore, seeks enforcement of these provisions pursuant to

Section 502(a)(3), (b)(ii) and Section 301(a) of the Labor Management Relations Act of

1947, as amended, 29 U.S.C., Sec. 185(a).

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays:

(a) That judgment enter in favor of Plaintiff and against Defendant in the amount of

TWENTY-THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN AND 62/00

DOLLARS (\$20,187.62), and such additional monies that accrue during the pendency

of this lawsuit.

(b) That Plaintiff be awarded its costs, including reasonable attorney's fees incurred in

the prosecution of this action as provided in the Collective Bargaining Agreement and

under the applicable provisions of ERISA, as amended.

(c) That interest and/or liquidated damages be assessed against Defendant as provided in

the Collective Bargaining Agreement and the applicable provisions of ERISA, as

amended.

(d) That Defendant be specifically ordered to furnish to Plaintiff the required monthly

contribution reports and payments due thereunder and to continue to perform all

obligations on Defendant's parts according the terms and conditions of their

Collective Bargaining Agreement.

(e) For such other and further relief as the Court may determine just and proper.

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